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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: PAR-211, "Microdensitometer Study of Effects of Processing on Edges", of Contract [REDACTED]

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REFERENCE: "Quarterly Report, Contract [REDACTED] dated 26 February 1965"

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1. The referenced report on PAR 211 consists of fifteen pages -- two pages of the task/problem, a discussion of the approach, and a statement of the planned activities, and thirteen pages of data. The data in this report consists of one page of numerical results of the year-long study and twelve pages of bar-graphs which are nothing but a repetition of the numerical results. Three-sevenths of the numerical data are based on the use of the "Trenton three-condition process". [REDACTED] has stated that the developers used in this process are propriety and their composition will not be divulged.

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2. This report represents, as stated above, a one-year effort, and has cost over [REDACTED] as of 24 January 1965. When the meager results, one page of data, are compared to the time and effort which have been expended, the undersigned can not find any justification for continuation of this project.

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3. It is therefore recommended that the [REDACTED] be notified of the following:

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a. They are to stop work on all phases of PAR-211.

b. They are requested to provide a cost estimate and a firm delivery date for the preparation, reproduction and delivery of a final report on the results of this study, and,

c. They are to provide a cost estimate and a firm delivery date for production and delivery of four briefing aids. Sketches of these briefing aids, numbered four through seven, are attached. Approval of the briefing aids is contingent upon the changes made by the undersigned.

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Development Branch, P&DS

Attachments: 4, as stated above

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